

## Up to the Minute SPORTING NEWS From Everywhere.

### NEED NEW ALIBI

Savages Can't Blame Defeats on Their Pitchers Now.

Another One Run Contest Goes to the Opposition.

Apparently the Savages are again lucking the impossible. Although it has long been conceded that you can't make runs without hits except on a fluke, and despite the fact that it is generally admitted that a team has to have runs in order to win, the Savages, apparently, are going after everything but what they need most. Two days running now Enrie's men have been held to four and six hits and on both days they have been beaten by one run. In the last Lincoln game they did get one counter, but in the opener at Des Moines they were held to the triple O. throughout.

"Give us the pitching and we will show you," has been the cry all along. But indications are that this has merely been a wall of the Alibi Ike. Monday Henning pitched a four-hit game and the team couldn't win, and again Tuesday Doyle came through with a four-hit record and lost.

Pitchers who can hold their opponents to four hits are good enough to win any day in the week and they ought to win nine times out of ten, but they have a poor chance when their teammates won't hit behind them.

Apparently Manager Engle is trying to strike a winning combination all right. Tuesday he again switched his lineup and batting order, putting Cochran back on third and himself going to centerfield, while Kruger was permitted to keep the front from accumulating on the bench. But, all of the shakiness and with two more hits to work on than their opponents had, the luckless pastimers were unable to get a single run over the pan.

Doyle went Great.

Up to the seventh inning of the game the Izies were held absolutely at the mercy of Bernie Doyle and only three of them even got a chance to draw a breath on the base paths. In the seventh Melan singled and was forced at second, Goodwin to DePate, for the second out. DePate tried for a double play at first to catch Jones, but heaved wild and then Claire came through with a lucky double that brought in Jones.

The Savages did not even get a man to third base. Goodwin, Cochran, Schweitzer and Agler were the only players who were able to get safe hits off Musser, who pitched headily ball throughout.

### DENIED AGAIN

(AT DES MOINES)

TOPEKA	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Devore, P.	4	0	2	1	1	0
Cochran, 2b.	4	0	2	0	1	0
Schweitzer, 2b.	4	0	2	0	1	0
Engle, cf.	4	0	1	1	0	0
Goodwin, 1b.	4	0	1	1	0	0
Agler, 1b.	4	0	1	1	0	0
DePate, 1b.	4	0	1	1	0	0
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### STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

Club	W.	L.	Pct.
Omaha	40	20	.667
Des Moines	40	20	.667
Lincoln	40	20	.667
Whitella	40	20	.667
Sioux City	40	20	.667
Topeka	40	20	.667
St. Joe	40	20	.667

### National League.

Club	W.	L.	Pct.
Brooklyn	40	20	.667
Philadelphia	40	20	.667
New York	40	20	.667
Chicago	40	20	.667
Pittsburgh	40	20	.667
St. Louis	40	20	.667
Cincinnati	40	20	.667

### American League.

Club	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	40	20	.667
Boston	40	20	.667
Chicago	40	20	.667
Cleveland	40	20	.667
Detroit	40	20	.667
Philadelphia	40	20	.667

### American Association.

Club	W.	L.	Pct.
Kansas City	40	20	.667
Indianapolis	40	20	.667
Louisville	40	20	.667
Minneapolis	40	20	.667
St. Paul	40	20	.667
Columbus	40	20	.667
Milwaukee	40	20	.667

### BASEBALL TODAY.

#### Western League.

Wichita at Lincoln, cloudy, 3:30 p. m.
Denver at Sioux City, rain, 3:30 p. m.

#### St. Joe at Omaha, cloudy, 3:15 p. m.

#### Topeka at Des Moines, cloudy, 3:15 p. m.

#### National League.

New York at Chicago, clear, 3 p. m.
Brooklyn at Pittsburgh, cloudy, 2 p. m.

#### Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, clear, 3 p. m.

#### Boston at St. Louis, clear, 3:30 p. m.

#### American League.

Detroit at Boston, 2 clear, first, 2 p. m.
St. Louis at New York, clear, 2 p. m.

#### Cleveland at Philadelphia, clear, 3 p. m.

#### Chicago at Washington, clear, 2 p. m.

#### American Association.

St. Paul at Columbus, clear, 3 p. m.
Kansas City at Indianapolis, clear, 3:30 p. m.

#### Milwaukee at Louisville, clear, 3:15 p. m.

#### Minneapolis at Toledo, clear, 3 p. m.

#### FOOD FOR FANS

(BY GEORGE L. PHAIL.)

The weather is better than holes.

The streets and the boulevards boil.

But take it from me, and take it from me.

I am glad to get back here and toil.

I come not with visions of sorrow.

For work fills my soul with delight;

Because it is my duty tomorrow.

(I wrote this last Saturday night.)

One of the redeeming features of a vacation is that it comes but once a year.

We thought of a good paragraph one night last week in Milwaukee. It was a regular in-the-wood bona fide honest-to-goodness big league paragraph.

Just then Bill McLaughlin ordered another and we forgot it.

Vacations Are Nix.

It is easy enough to be pleasant

When working the whole year through.

But the man worth while is the one who

When he hasn't a darn thing to do.

In spite of all the press agent work, the American Derby was a dismal failure. We had two dollars (\$2.00) on Churchill.

The Sport of Kings.

Two kings, having gazed on several

horses in the act of racing, yawned.

Any of the dukes or earls who clattered

hacroses behind them would have

lost their jobs. But it is a king's privilege

to yawn whenever he feels that way.

King can do as he pleases, and he

will. He is a king, and he is a king.

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## TOUGH LUCK DAY

Batteries of Five Teams Injured in Tuesday's Play.

Cubs Lost One and Drew \$1,000 Fine—Yanks Badly Crippled.